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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
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SUBJECT : Monthly Warning Assessment: USSR-EE 25X1
(Meeting held on 18 March 1980) [REDACTED]

1. Polish foreign debt rescheduling. Although there is a possibility that Poland might request a rescheduling of part of its foreign debt within the next several months, most analysts agreed that this prospect per se does not imply a greatly increased likelihood of political unrest. [REDACTED] 25X1

2. Hungary. Despite local rumors to the contrary, we do not foresee major leadership or policy changes at the forthcoming Hungarian Party Congress. [REDACTED] 25X1

3. Yugoslavia. The resumption of sharp Soviet-Yugoslav polemics probably stems primarily from Moscow's unhappiness with Belgrade's criticism of its intervention in Afghanistan and does not alter our expectation that Moscow will try to avoid an early, head-on clash with Tito's heirs. The latter seem to be preserving their unity and governing effectively while Tito lingers on the brink of death. [REDACTED] 25X1

4. Afghanistan. During the coming weeks we expect the Soviets to commit additional forces to Afghanistan and to intensify their counterinsurgency offensive. [REDACTED] 25X1

5. Pakistan. If Soviet force redeployments or other developments were to lead to an escalation of insurgent activity in the provinces which have borne the brunt of the recent Soviet offensive, the probability of cross-border raids on Pakistani territory could sharply increase. [REDACTED] 25X1

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6. Iran. Despite increased Iranian criticism of the USSR, we expect Moscow to continue to seek normal relations with Tehran and while keeping its options open, to refrain from conspicuously hostile anti-Iranian actions. [REDACTED]

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